AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): An information reproducing apparatus comprising:

first reproducing means for reproducing program information recorded on a first recording medium mounted at a predetermined position;

copying means for temporarily copying the program information reproduced by the first reproducing means on a second recording medium;

second reproducing means for reproducing the program information copied in the second recording medium;

judgment means for judging that if the program information is copied onto the second recording medium when the program information is reproduced by the first reproducing means and

control means for controlling reproduction of the program information recorded on the first recording medium to be stopped and the program information copied in the second recording medium to be reproduced if it is judged that the program information is copied.

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2. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising deletion means for deleting the program information temporarily copied in the second recording medium,

wherein the control means controls the deletion means to delete the copied program information from the second recording medium when the first recording medium is removed from the predetermined position.

- 3. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the control means controls the second reproducing means not to reproduce the copied program information, when the first recording medium is not mounted at the predetermined position.
 - 4. (Currently Amended): An information reproducing method comprising: reproducing program information recorded on a first recording medium; temporarily copying the reproduced program information on a second recording medium; reproducing the copied program information;

judging that if the program information is copied onto the second recording medium when the program information recorded on the first recording medium is reproduced; and

controlling reproducing of the program information recorded on the first recording medium to be stopped and the copied program information to be reproduced if it is judged that the program information is copied.

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5. (Previously Presented): An information reproducing apparatus comprising:

a first reproducer for reproducing program information recorded on a first recording

medium;

a driver for temporarily copying on a second recording medium the program information

reproduced by the first reproducer;

a second reproducer for reproducing the program information on the second recording

medium; and

a controller which judges that the driver copied the program information to be reproduced

onto the second recording medium,

wherein the controller controls the first reproducer not to reproduce the program

information on the first recording medium and the second reproducer to reproduce the program

information on the second recording medium if the second recording medium contains the

program information.

6. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein

the driver deletes the program information from the second recording medium when the first

recording medium is removed from the first reproducer.

7. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein

the controller controls the second reproducer not to reproduce the program information when the

first recording medium is not mounted into the first reproducer.

- 8. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the first reproducer is a CD player.
- 9. (Original): The information reproducing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the second reproducer is a hard disk drive unit.
 - 10. (Currently Amended): An information reproducing apparatus comprising:
- a first reproducer for reproducing program information recorded on a first recording medium;
- a driver for temporarily copying the program information reproduced by the first reproducer onto a second recording medium;
- a second reproducer for reproducing the program information on the second recording medium; and
- a controller which judges, prior to the first reproducer's reproduction of the program information, if that the program information is copied onto on the second recording medium,

wherein the controller controls the first reproducer, while copying the program information from the first recording medium onto the second recording medium, to reproduce the program information being copied when it is judged that the program information is not copied onto the second recording medium.

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11. (Previously Presented): An information reproducing apparatus, comprising:

a first reproduction circuit capable of reproducing data from a first recording medium;

a second reproduction circuit capable of reproducing data from a second recording

medium; and

a control circuit that

copies program information reproduced by the first reproduction circuit onto the second

recording medium, and

determines that the program information has been copied, and

if the control circuit determines that the program information has been copied, the control

circuit controls the first reproduction circuit to not reproduce the program information from the

first recording medium, and the control circuit controls the second reproduction circuit to

reproduce the program information from the second recording medium.

12. (Previously Presented): The information reproducing apparatus according to

claim 11, wherein the control circuit controls the second reproduction circuit to delete the

program information from the second recording medium if the first recording medium is

removed from the first reproduction circuit.

13. (Previously Presented): An information reproducing apparatus, comprising:

a first reproduction circuit capable of reproducing data from a first recording medium;

a second reproduction circuit capable of reproducing data from a second recording medium; and

a control circuit that copies program information reproduced by the first reproduction circuit onto the second recording medium, and determines that the program information has been copied, and if the control circuit determines that the program information has been copied, the control circuit controls the first reproduction circuit to not reproduce the program information from the first recording medium, and the control circuit controls the second reproduction circuit to reproduce the program information from the second recording medium, and the control circuit controls the second reproduction circuit to delete the program information from the second recording medium if the first recording medium is removed from the first reproduction circuit.